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Letter dated 4 September 1992 from the Permanent Representative of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

The European Economic Community Troika of Foreign Ministers, composed of the Foreign and Commonwealth Secretary of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Foreign Ministers of Portugal and Denmark, visited South Africa on 2 and 3 September 1992. Security Council resolution 772 (1992) invited international organizations, including specifically the European Community, to consider deploying observers in South Africa in coordination with the United Nations. Mr. Hurd announced at a press conference in Pretoria on 3 September that the parties had accepted the European Economic Community's offer to send observers to South Africa to be associated with the structures of the National Peace Accord, as part of efforts to end the violence. Initially, approximately 15 European Economic Community observers are likely to be sent. It is very much our intention they should work in close coordination with the United Nations and with other international organizations and with the structures set up under the National Peace Accord as provided in Security Council resolution 772 (1992). We therefore look forward to their working closely with the observers being sent by the United Nations.

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In addition, the Troika discussed with Judge Goldstone the work of his Commission and in response to his request agreed to consider the secondment of a small number of experts to assist with his proposed independent investigation task forces. Reference to this was also made in Mr. Hurd's statement.

I should be grateful if the present letter could be circulated as an official document of the General Assembly, under items 33 and 69 of the provisional agenda, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) D. H. A. HANNAY